

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 205

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Audrey Brown Woodward upon her selection as Antioch High School Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Audrey Brown Woodward is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Woodward has recently been selected as Teacher of the Year at Antioch High School, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes that positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Woodward received her Master's degree in Administration and Supervision from Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU); and

WHEREAS, she was selected from among 140 teachers at Antioch High, where she has taught History, Geography, and Leadership classes for nine years; and

WHEREAS, Audrey Woodward has lent her time and professional talents to numerous activities, coordinating Prom for four years, sponsoring Cheerleading, coordinating Pep Club, and coordinating Senior Week and Graduation; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Principal classes led by Dr. Pedro Garcia, Metro-Nashville Director of Schools, Mrs. Woodward is the founder and organizer of the Freshman Academy program of Antioch High School; she also implemented the first Leadership program in the state, sponsored by Alignment Nashville; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Woodward lives and teaches by her inspiring philosophy of education, believing that every child is capable of learning, that students learn in different ways, and that

teachers who actually care for their students make a bigger educational impact upon students' lives; and

WHEREAS, Audrey Woodward is grateful for the love and companionship she shares with her husband, Mike; and

WHEREAS, she is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Audrey Brown Woodward truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, she truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Audrey Brown Woodward on being chosen as Antioch High School Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.